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Applicant : Roger A. de la Torre et al. Filed : October 23, 2001  
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Docket No.: SPC-5069CNT6 Customer No. : 000027777

Title : **LAPROSCOPIC ACCESS PORT FOR SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS OR THE HAND**

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of March 24, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

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